Sl. No.	States/Union Territories	Total No. of Assessed Units	Over-exploited Nos.	%	Critical Nos.	%
4.	Daman & Diu	2	1	50	0	0
5.	Lakshadweep	9	0	0	0	0
6.	Pondicherry	4	1	25	0	0
	TOTAL UTs:	18	2		0	
	GRAND TOTAL:	5723	1839		226	

Note

Blocks-Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Jharkhand, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Orissa, Punajab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, West Bengal.

Mandals (command/non-command)-Andhra Pradesh.

Talukas-Goa, Gujarat, Karnataka, Maharashtra.

Districts-Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Delhi, Meghalaya, Nagland.

Districts (Valley)-Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir.

State-Sikkim.

Islands-Lakshadweep.

UT-Andaman & Nicobar, Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, Pondicherry.

CRITERIA FOR CATEGORIZATION

Over-Exploited blocks: Stage of Ground water development >100%. Significant decline in long term water level trend in either pre-monsoon or post-monsoon period or both.

Critical blocks: Stage of Ground Water Development >90%. and <=100%, /Significant decline in long term water level trend in both pre-monsoon and post-monsoon period.

Projects of interlinking of rivers

†1465. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ambitious project of interlinking the rivers of the countries at National level is still under consideration;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the detail of the priorities under consideration in the first phase;

(c) whether two projects of Madhya Pradesh are also included in the said priority list;

(d) if so, by when these are likely to be commenced;

(e) whether Government are considering to make any changes in the project of interlinking of rivers;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the phase-wise target fixed for completion of this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV):(a) to (d) The Interlinking of rivers (ILR) programme has been duly included in the National Common Minimum Programme of the UPA Government. which envisages that the Government will make a comprehensive assessment of the feasibility of linking the rivers of the country starting with the southern rivers in a fully consultative manner. A power point presentation was made by MOWR before the Hon'ble Prime Minister on October 11, 2004 in which the Union Ministry of Finance, Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, Member, Planning Commisison and Prinicipal Secretary to PM were present among others. After above presentation and comprehensive assessment of feasibility of interlinking of rivers in the country, it was decided to continue programme of ILR with focus on Peninsular Component. Five peninsular links have been idntified as priority links for consensus building between the concerned States for the Preparation Detailed Project Report. Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for one priority link viz. Ken-Betwa under Peninsular Component has been taken up by NWDA after signing of a tripartite agreement between the Government of India and concerned States of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh on 25.8.2005. The States of MP and Rajasthan have also agreed in principle for the preparation of DPR Parbati-Kalisindh-Chambal link.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

(g) The implementaiton of inter basin water transfer proposals depends on the consensus and cooperation of the concerned States.